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TAGS: PORG, EAIR, ICAO

SUBJECT: VIET NAM IN ICAO, VN, VS

REF: MONTREAL 1206

1. PRESIDENT/COUNCIL REQUESTED MEETING WITH USREP ON "CONFIDENTIAL" BASIS REGARDING HIS INTENTIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE STATUS OF VIET NAM IN ICAO. HE HAD SOUGHT THE REACTIONS OF THE UKREP BUT IS NOT REPEAT NOT INFORMING ANY OTHER COUNCIL REP.

2. ON POLITICAL QUESTION OF REPUBLIC OF SOUTH VIET NAM (CURRENTLY ON ICAO'S LIST OF CONTRACTING STATES), DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM (CURRENTLY ON ICAO'S LIST OF NON-CONTRACTING STATES) AND THE "NEW" UN ENTITY, THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM, PRESIDENT/

COUNCIL HAS RECEIVED A COMMUNICATION FROM UN ADVISING THAT VIET NAM IS NOW REFERRED TO AS THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM. HOWEVER PRESIDENT/COUNCIL VERY MUCH AWARE OF US SECURITY COUNCIL VET POSITION STATEMENT, AND MIA CONDITION WHICH HAS LED TO POST-PONEMENT OF VIET NAM QUESTION IN SECURITY COUNCIL UNTIL NOVEMBER. THEREFORE HE WISHES TO AVOID EMBROILING ICAO IN THIS QUESTION.  
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HE IS TAKING FOLLOWING APPROACH. ICAO'S LIST OF NON-CONTRACTING

STATES IS BEING REISSUED TO DELETE CAPE VERDE WHICH RECENTLY  
BECAME ICAO MEMBER. THE NEW LIST WILL BE REISSUED WITH  
MEMO STATING THAT "THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM NO LONGER  
APPEARS ON THE LIST PENDING CLARIFICATION OF THE STATUS OF THE  
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM". THE NEW LIST OF CONTRACTING  
STATES WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED IN THIS REGARD. MEMO IS  
CAREFULLY WORDED AND APPEARS TO DISCREETLY SET ASIDE THE ISSUE  
IN ICAO FOR NOW.

3. PRES/COUNCIL THEN RAISED THE AVIATION ASPECT OF THE  
VIET NAM SITUATION. HE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE CONTINUING  
AND RISING COSTS OF AIRLINES HAVING TO FLY AROUND VIET NAM FIR,  
THE SAFETY FACTOR, AND AVERFLIGHT CHARGES. HE TOLD USREP THAT  
EFFORTS BY ICAO REGIONAL OFFICE IN BANGKOK HAD NOT BEEN PRODUCTIVE,  
PRIMARILY BECAUSE HANOI DOES NOT APPEAR TO "BE INTERESTED IN  
AVIATION" NOR TO HAVE MUCH KNOWLEDGE OF ICAO AND INTERNATIONAL  
AVIATION REGULATIONS. THEREFORE, AS PRESIDENT OF ICAO COUNCIL,  
KOTAITE, FEELS IT NOW TIME FOR HIM TO CONTACT HANOI AND BEGIN  
ACQUAINTING THEM WITH ICAO, THE OBLIGATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS  
IN CONNECTION WITH MEMBERSHIP AND ASCERTAIN HOW THEY REGARD THEIR  
STATUS VIS-A-VIS ICAO. HE IS DOING THIS THROUGH ICAO EXTERNAL  
RELATIONS OFFICE WHICH WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH THE HANOI DEL UN NY.  
HE DOES NOT EXPECT ANYONE THERE TO BE FAMILIAR WITH AVIATION, NOR  
TO HAVE ANY ANSWERS BUT HE FEELS IT IS AN OFFICIAL CHANNEL WHICH  
WILL EVENTUALLY BRING AN OFFICIAL RESPONSE. (FYI: OBVIOUSLY, HE  
IS IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH IATA, AND THE SECRETARIAT HAS PREPARED  
EXCELLENT BRIEFING PAPERS FOR HIM WITH RESPECT TO AIRLINE  
OPERATIONS IN SE ASIA) END FYI. HE WILL KEEP USREP ADVISED.

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